

Notice of Proceedings Concerning Petition for Declaratory Order

On February 23, 2009, the Iowa Department of Education has received a petition for a declaratory order concerning the following question:

If a parent withdraws consent for continued special education and related services to the parent's child, is it currently the policy of the State of Iowa that the new federal regulations [34 C.F.R. §§ 300.9, 300.300], effective on December 31, 2008, apply?

This matter is set for public hearing on March 16, 2009, from 11:00 a.m. to noon, in the State Board of Education Room of the Grimes State Office Building, 400 E. Fourteenth Street, Des Moines, IA 50319, at which time interested persons may submit public comment.

Persons who wish to submit written comment on the question posed by this petition should direct them to Thomas A. Mayes, Legal Consultant, Student and Family Support Services, Grimes State Office Building, 400 E. Fourteenth Street, Des Moines, IA 50319 or by e-mail at Thomas.Mayes@Iowa.gov. Such comments shall be received by March 23, 2009, by 4:00 p.m.

If you require reasonable accommodations to participate because of a disability, or require other assistance, immediately call Mr. Mayes at 515-242-5614 (If you are hearing impaired, call Relay Iowa TTY at 1-800-735-2942.).

Persons who wish to intervene in this matter shall do so in the time set forth in Iowa Code section 17A.9.